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SALE OF LADIES' SKIRTS

DRESS SKIRTS.

- Skirt of all-wool Cheviot trimmed with taffeta bands and buttons—bound seams—color black or navy..... \$5.00
- Skirt of all-wool Serge, taffeta band, trimmed to simulate yoke and flounce—drop skirt—black and navy..... \$5.00
- Skirt of Broadcloth, taffeta band trimming, drop skirt—only..... \$5.00
- Skirt of Broadcloth, taffeta decoration..... \$6.50
- Skirt of Broadcloth, nine graduated rows of taffeta bands, drop skirt—a very good \$5.50 value—only..... \$6.50
- Skirt of Cheviot, Novelty Braid garniture, drop skirt—to those wanting "something different" than taffeta bands, this skirt will fill that want..... \$6.50
- Beautiful Skirt of Pebble Cheviot, lengthwise tucks, button ornamentation—good value at \$10.00—sale price..... \$8.50
- Better Skirts at \$10, \$12.50, \$15, up to \$35.00

WALKING SKIRTS

"INSTEP LENGTHS."

- Walking Skirt of fancy suiting, cut in novel design, 2 shades of Oxford, 7-gore, welted seams, and stitched at the bottom eight times. Of uncommonly high standard is this Skirt, though sold at a small price..... \$3.50
- Walking Skirt of mannish materials in pretty design, good workmanship throughout—large assortment of fancy materials, also plain meltons. Skirts of no better values are sold for \$6.50—our price for these only, each..... \$5.00
- A new Walking Skirt came Saturday—made of an excellent quality of Men's Suits in indistinct broken checks, colors gray and brown—new shape, novel decoration—a regular \$8.50 Skirt—we make a Special of it at..... \$6.50
- Walking Skirts of fancy suiting, new yoke effect—well made—perfect fitting—very effective—only..... \$8.50
- We have Walking Skirts up to \$15.00

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FINE CHINA FOR CHRISTMAS AT HALF PRICE

FIRST OF NEW PAROLES.

Fred Woolfe Free Under Indeterminate Sentence Law.

The first parole from the penitentiary under the new indeterminate sentence law has just been issued by the warden and board of directors of the penitentiary. It goes to Fred Woolfe, who was sentenced from Leavenworth county in 1899 for manslaughter in the first degree. He killed a man named Ryan and was sent to the penitentiary for seven years for it. The minimum time for that crime is five years and continuing off his "good time" for good behavior he has now served the minimum and is therefore eligible to parole, but he will be subject to the terms of his parole until the seven years are up. The county officials of Leavenworth petitioned for his release, and he has been promised steady employment for at least a year.

The basis of parole granted under the new law is not the innocence of the prisoners but their reformation. Many men are sent to the penitentiary for crimes committed on the spur of the moment and who are not at all criminals. They do not wish to be criminals and if surrounded by the proper restraints they would be good citizens. A prisoner must serve at least the minimum sentence of the crime for which he is imprisoned, but if the warden and directors of the penitentiary believe he has then reformed they may release him on parole, but he is subject to the parole until the maximum sentence for his crime would expire. For instance, the minimum sentence for larceny is one year and the maximum sentence is ten years. Heretofore the judge had fixed the sentence which he believes to be just and for new offenders it has generally run from one to three years. Under the new law the judge has nothing to do with fixing the time—he simply sentences the prisoner for a term. After the prisoner has been in the penitentiary for one year, if he has complied with the prison rules, has learned self-restraint, and if the warden and directors believe he has reformed they may release him. But he is subject to his parole for nine years more. He must keep out of any company and must keep the prison officials informed of his whereabouts and employment. If he violates the conditions of his parole at any time he is taken back to the prison without a trial. This throws around the prisoner restraints and safeguards which tend to keep him straight, and by the time his parole has expired he has generally acquired a standing in his home community and has habits which will make him a good citizen. The new law is for the purpose of reformation instead of punishment or revenge.

DUEL IN DINING ROOM.

Participants Use Knife and Fork as Weapons.

New York, Nov. 9.—Locked in the dining room of their boarding house, Perth, Stephen Gondes and Peter Shylak have fought a duel that ended only when Gondes fell to the floor dying. The men had been on unfriendly terms for some time. It is said by friends that they were in love with the same woman. Shylak entered the dining room at meal time and met his rival. Looking the door he yelled to Gondes: "I'm going to kill you or you must kill me." Then seizing a carving knife he rushed at Gondes. Gondes was unarmed and before he could defend himself, Shylak had cut him twice. When he seized a fork and the men fought until Gondes sank to the floor stabbed in the stomach and

THE FEAR OF HUMBUNG

Prevents Many People from Trying a Good Medicine.

Stomach troubles are so common and in most cases so obstinate to cure that people are apt to look with suspicion on any remedy claiming to be a radical, permanent cure for dyspepsia and indigestion. Many such pride themselves on their acuteness in never being humbugged, especially in medicines. This fear of being humbugged can be carried too far, so far, in fact, that many people suffer for years with weak digestion rather than risk a little time and money in faithfully testing the claims made of a preparation used as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. Now Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are vastly different in one important respect from ordinary proprietary medicines for the reason that they are not a secret patent medicine, no secret is made of their ingredients, but analysis shows them to contain the natural digestive ferments, pure aseptic pepsin, the digestive acids, Golden Seal, bismuth, hyacinth and nut. They are not cathartic, neither do they cure indigestion on the common sense plan of digesting the food eaten therebefore. It is time to ferment, sour and cause the mischief. This is the only secret of their success. Cathartic pills never have and never can cure indigestion and stomach troubles because they act entirely on the bowels, whereas the whole trouble is really in the stomach. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets taken after meals digest the food. That is all there is to it. Food not digested or half digested is poison as it creates gas, acidity, headaches, palpitation of the heart, loss of flesh and appetite and many other troubles which are often called by some other name. They are sold by druggists everywhere at 50 cents per package.

THEATERS IN PLENTY.

But None Where Art Has Any Chance to Be Heard.

New York, Nov. 9.—Nearly 2,000 theatrical managers, playwrights and actors have attended a meeting here to discuss the subject of an endowed theater. Addresses were made by many persons prominent in the profession. It was the first big public demonstration held by the National Art Theater society, which was formed last spring. Chairman J. I. C. Clarke announced that he had practically secured the promise of certain wealthy men to endow the theater, and that the plans are progressing rapidly towards completion. "We have plenty of theaters as a commercial enterprise, but none devoted to art," he said. "We have theaters opening every night, but it is not our domain to enter into competition with business—what we want is such theaters as have the French, the Italians and the Germans. We hope thus to do many things, one of which is to encourage the American dramatist, who is in a peculiar position. The manager usually turns to him for plays only after he has secured Europe. If the play is sold it must be written below the level of his own productions. Now, this society proposes to look out for him and for the actor and let the public profit thereby."

CHICAGO PRAIRIE FIRE.

The City Is Subjected to Its Annual Visitation.

Chicago, Nov. 9.—A forest fire was the unusual spectacle witnessed by hundreds of Chicagoans last night. Four companies of firemen fought the blaze for hours. The fire started in the barns of the Graceland cemetery in a few minutes the hay sheds were blazing fiercely. After destroying the buildings and wagons the fire spread to the shrubbery growth and trees which covered a track of almost four square blocks. The loss will exceed \$50,000. The blaze was unique in the history of the fire department, only a single alarm of Chicagoans last night. Four companies of firemen fought the blaze for hours. The fire started in the barns of the Graceland cemetery in a few minutes the hay sheds were blazing fiercely. After destroying the buildings and wagons the fire spread to the shrubbery growth and trees which covered a track of almost four square blocks. The loss will exceed \$50,000. The blaze was unique in the history of the fire department, only a single alarm of Chicagoans last night. Four companies of firemen fought the blaze for hours. The fire started in the barns of the Graceland cemetery in a few minutes the hay sheds were blazing fiercely. After destroying the buildings and wagons the fire spread to the shrubbery growth and trees which covered a track of almost four square blocks. The loss will exceed \$50,000.

WILL SELL AN EAR.

Many Persons Snap at Offer of \$5,000.

New York, Nov. 9.—Nearly 150 men and women, boys and girls living here have manifested a willingness to part with their right ear in return for \$5,000. Telegrams by the score from nearby states show that there are numerous persons who feel in the same need of money. The offer grew out of an advertisement by a physician offering \$5,000 for the right ear of a healthy person. The size of the ear was specified with precision and the doctor stated that sex would not matter. It appears he has a patient who has grown rich in the western mines, but had the misfortune to lose one of his ears. The doctor makes a specialty of fixing up deformed noses and ears, so that all he needs to restore the rich miner's beauty is an ear of the right size and shape to be carved out of his ear. The doctor had not been measured beforehand, so their desire could not be gratified. The doctor believes he has found one that will meet requirements in one of the city hospitals, but is postponing the operation a week in order to get the best possible fit from among his applicants.

FRANCE WILL WAIT.

Will Not Recognize Panama Until Government Is Organized.

Paris, Nov. 9.—The foreign office has received an extended cable report from Panama covering the events of recent days and the doctor stated that sex would not matter. It appears he has a patient who has grown rich in the western mines, but had the misfortune to lose one of his ears. The doctor makes a specialty of fixing up deformed noses and ears, so that all he needs to restore the rich miner's beauty is an ear of the right size and shape to be carved out of his ear. The doctor had not been measured beforehand, so their desire could not be gratified. The doctor believes he has found one that will meet requirements in one of the city hospitals, but is postponing the operation a week in order to get the best possible fit from among his applicants.

\$10,000 Waiting for Her.

New York, Nov. 9.—Attorneys are searching Paterson, N. J., for Miss Carew, a young nurse, formerly employed in a New York hospital in order to pay her \$10,000 under the will of Frank J. Edwards, a civil engineer, of Pasadena, Calif. Edwards fell ill here three years ago and was cared for at the hospital by Miss Carew. He wished

DIVORCE SENSATION.



New York, where the sculptor-artist is widely known, is awaiting the developments promised when the matter comes to trial for the second time. Mrs. Hughes was alleged to have received male visitors in a pink silk wrapper, which garment was the most widely discussed feature of the case, which was widely publicized.

her to become his wife but she was in no hurry to desert her profession and after corresponding with Edwards at Pasadena for a long period, she disappeared. The other heirs of the estate are pushing the search because the estate can not be divided until she shall have been found.

INTERURBAN LINES.

Work on Wichita-Arkansas City Line Soon to Start.

Wichita, Kas., Nov. 9.—It can be definitely announced that some time in December work will be commenced on the grade of the Arkansas Valley interurban railway, and it will be rushed to an early completion. Bids have been received from prominent engineers all over the country on the proposed line. The promoters have not entered into a contract with any of the applicants. The first line will be built from Wichita to Arkansas City, and will be so constructed as to take in all of the most important towns between the cities. Later it is proposed to extend the line through Oklahoma down into Texas and the company will then put on Pullman cars and will make a specialty of hauling passengers long distances.

HARD ARGUMENTS.

Coffee Uses Them Whether One Likes or Not.

The ill effects of coffee are present in many coffee drinkers but some people pay no attention to the warning signals of dyspepsia, insomnia, nervousness, fluttering of the heart, etc., until coffee finally uses a knock down argument which means collapse on the part of the coffee drinker. "I am 30 years old and have drunk coffee since I can remember until four years ago when I broke down completely with nervous prostration and indigestion. I simply cannot describe the agony I suffered. "Doctor told me he could not help me if I did not stop coffee alone so I bought some Postum to give it a trial. At first I did not know how to make it and was disappointed in the taste, but after reading the directions on the package carefully, made it right, and then I thought it better than coffee. At that time I weighed 140 pounds and now I weigh 155 pounds, that's quite a gain isn't it? I never have indigestion now and the headaches are all gone and I am otherwise entirely well and strong. "I never had any troubles that were not due to drinking coffee and these appeared and health came in their place when I shut off coffee and drank Postum." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."



Miss Ethel Davis will issue invitations this week for a dance Tuesday evening November 24, at Steinberg's, in honor of Miss Ivah Davis.

Mrs. F. B. Guild, 615 Topeka avenue, has asked guests for the afternoons of November 17 and 18, to meet Mrs. George W. McKnight, of Junction City.

Mrs. Frederick Brown entertained informally Saturday for Miss Maud Martin, of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Frank Hobart will give a small afternoon affair Tuesday for Miss Martin's most particular friends.

The faculty of the department of fine arts of the College of the Sisters of Bethany will give a recital at the First Methodist Episcopal church Wednesday evening. Appearing on the programme will be Miss Katharine H. Wood, piano and organ; Miss Harriet Janet Austin, soprano; Miss Ruth Melton Collins, violin; Miss Margaret Birdena Henry, reader, and Miss Mary Heath Hobart, accompanist.

The Helianthus Literary club will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. D. L. Tillotson, 621 Fillmore street.

Notes and Personal Mention.

Mr. Hiram Price Dillon is in New York.

Mrs. Collingwood Tucker left today for her home in Keokuk, Iowa, after a visit to Mrs. J. M. Meade and Mrs. D. L. Ladd.

Miss Florence Rossington has returned from Kansas City.

Mr. W. B. Scott of Osgood City spent Sunday with Mr. Edward Wilder and Mr. James Frederick Scott, Redden.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McFarland returned Saturday night from Decatur, Illinois.

Mr. Merle C. King left Sunday night for Alamogordo, New Mexico, to remain permanently.

Miss Amy Nelson is spending the week with Miss Sue Shurt.

Miss Elizabeth Cole will be home this week from Kansas City, Iowa, Fort Scott and Girard, where she has been visiting friends for a month.

Miss Helen Curry has returned from a visit to Mrs. Clarence Hall in Lawrence.

Mr. Merlin Poindexter spent Sunday in Lawrence.

Miss Mary Monroe returned to her home in Lawrence today after a visit to Mrs. Frank Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus A. Low and Miss Metta Robinson have gone to Washington for a few weeks.

Miss Miriam Murphy of Kansas City is here to spend the week with her grandmother, Mrs. A. L. Redden.

Mrs. H. U. Mudge and Mrs. John Bradley returned Saturday from Chicago.

Mrs. and Mrs. C. L. Short of Chanute spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. David W. Norton.

Miss Nellie Austin who has been at the Copeland for a week left this morning for the east.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Scott and Mrs. F. W. Hardcastle of Kansas City and Mr. S. S. Parker of Chanute, Kan., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Larimer Sunday. Mrs. Scott will remain several days.

Miss Wilbur C. Haswell is the guest of her mother, Mrs. M. D. Larimer, on her way from Little Rock, Ark., where she has been living, to Chicago where she will reside in future.

AFTER BANDITS.

Rock Island Sends Out a Special from Des Moines.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 9.—All morning a special Rock Island train containing 10 or 12 Rock Island detectives, a pack of bloodhounds, Superintendent Given and half a dozen other officials has been stationed on a track near Earlham. Des Moines. At an early hour the detectives and the bloodhounds began scouring the surrounding country. They passed several miles beyond the place where the money was ordered thrown off from the train, but were unable, according to a message just received to find a single trace that would lead to a clearing up of the mystery. Little hope is entertained for the discovery of any definite information. The tramp who was shot by a trackman on the right of way a sort distance from the town is still at the hotel suffering severely from his wounds. The tramp's breast and limbs are filled with buckshot. He will be brought to Des Moines some time during the day to be placed in a hospital. The letter of warning was received at the headquarters of the Rock Island in Chicago eleven days ago and was written upon a plain sheet of foolscap and mailed somewhere between Council Bluffs and Des Moines upon a Rock Island train. It is not known definitely when the detectives will return to Des Moines.

COMMERCIAL CLUB CHANGE

Proposed to Elect Directors in a New Way.

At the monthly meeting of the Topeka Commercial club Wednesday night a proposition to change the method of electing directors of the board of directors will be taken up. The plan was proposed at the October meeting of the club. It is that a committee of nine persons shall be named by the president of the club to nominate candidates for directors. Those so nominated will be proposed, at least ten days before the holding of the election and the names posted in the club rooms. Other nominations may be made upon the motion of fifteen persons who may post their nominations in a similar manner at least six days before the day of election. At the present time the directors are nominated at the annual meeting and without much forethought as to their fitness for the position. At the November meeting of the club will be taken up the proposition for the semi-centennial celebration to be held next May in commemoration of the organization of Kansas as a territory.

EIGHTH STREET MACADAM.

County Commissioners Make Offer of Their Assistance.

If the city council decides to macadam Eighth street from the railroad tracks to the corner of the Topeka cemetery, the county commissioners will lend the county stone crusher to the city.

D. O. Crane has agreed to macadam the lane leading from Eighth street to the cemetery if the city will macadam Eighth street. The commissioners are receiving many calls for the use of the crusher. The commissioners intend to help along good roads by allowing it to be used by all who need it.



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Extremely stylish, made in black and Oxford, Kersey and Soft Vicuna—50 inches long—full back—roomy and comfortable—worn by Men and Young Men, \$20 style and quality—here for

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The New Electric Baked Wafer AND BISCUIT The Standard Cereal Food

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All grocers sell SHREDDED WHEAT.

Oranges Are Ripe In California

In a few weeks the work of picking and packing them for market will begin. Reach California any time before the end of January and you will see the process from beginning to end. This year's crop promises to be the biggest on record, 30,000 carloads; possibly more.

The trip to California is a very simple matter nowadays—if your ticket reads via the Rock Island System. Two routes—via El Paso and via Colorado. Go one way; return the other. Information about rates, through car service, etc., furnished on request. Present reduced rate Topeka to California is only \$25.00.



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the machine. The torpedoes were not exploded. It was rumored, however, that No. 25, preceding No. 6 a half hour, had exploded the torpedoes. This or some other information resulted in reorganizing the special force of armed officers who went out a special from Des Moines to Dexter and then patrolled the right of way between Earlham and that town all night. Nothing developed, however, and the men remained in the timber watching for the criminals in vain. The officials will not discuss the matter at all. Superintendent Smalley said tonight that he knew nothing of the affair. Other officials admitted the truth of the story that specials had gone to Dexter and that the right of way was being patrolled between that town and Earlham.

No. 6, which passed through here to the east at 11:30 o'clock an hour and a half late, carried a large number of armed men on the locomotive and in the coaches prepared for an attempted hold up.

When this train failed to come on the expected torpedoes last night the officials decided that the letter received ten days ago was a hoax. When the rumor got started that No. 25 had exploded the torpedoes the work of reorganizing the special force was resumed. Telegrams brought the owner of four bloodhounds from Ford, Iowa, and a number of local officers joined Chief Constable of the Rock Island secret service on the special that left here early in the evening.

Kansas City and Return \$2.70.

On account Melba concert in Kansas City, November 12, a rate of \$2.70 will be made via Union Pacific for twenty-five or more persons. For full information apply to J. C. Fulton, depot agent, phone 24, or F. A. Lewis, city ticket agent, 625 Kansas avenue.

What a sweet disposition! Born so? Or made so by Ayer's Pills?